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Editors Note

We are a bit thin on the ground for articles this issue, but we would like to thank everyone who did contribute. If you have a story you would like to share we would love to hear from you, email us at the.iwade.observer@gmail.com
The Observer team is taking a break for August so we will be back with our next issue in September, have a great summer Iwade!
Mel, Nicola and Rynn.

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Iwade Observer

July 2015



Thank you to Iwade's Charles Ryder for this image of the new Iwade school building in the evening sun. If you have a beautiful photo you would like to share with the village, let us know at the.iwade.observer@gmail.com

Stephen Plumb

Steve is to be ordained a Deacon, on July 4th at 11 am in Canterbury Cathedral.

Steve is a Church Army Evangelist, and holds the post of Bishop's missioner to North Sittingbourne, with responsibility for Iwade. Steve and Dawn Plumb have been living in Iwade for five years and during that time Steve has become actively involved in a number of community groups/organisations, e.g. Parish Council, School Governor, etc. The Parish Church just over two years ago made the decision to launch a new contemporary service each Sunday morning, which Steve, with others, leads. This 'new congregation' is growing numerically, spiritually and in its sense of community. The Diocese have recognised the work that God is doing in Iwade at this time, and the Bishop has invited Steve to become an Ordained minister. On Sunday 5th July there will be a 'special' celebration service at Iwade, followed by a bring and share lunch, to which all are invited.

Stephen can be contacted on 07905 040 119.

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The Observer joins with Iwadians in congratulating



Steve on his ordination, and wishes him, and Dawn, well for the future in his developing role in Iwade.



UK Paper, Open Air Band Concert

July 18th - 19:00 - 21:00 All Saints' Church, Iwade
 Back by popular demand!!

On Saturday July 18th the renowned UK Paper Band will return to Iwade. A great concert is lined up, and (weather permitting) in the beautiful surroundings of the church gardens beside our ancient church a lively evening is promised.

Why not make a date now to come along - bring a blanket in case it's a bit chilly (if weather is inclement the concert will be in the church) - and enjoy a great value open air concert without having to travel!!

Tickets - £5 each - are available from Pamela Horner on 01795 439765 or on the door!



Skydiving Megan

A message from Megan Baker - perhaps you would like to help her reach her target

(Ed's note - rather help than do the jump!!)

On 4th July, I am doing a Tandem Skydive in aid of Demelza House Hospice for Children. I am also doing other fundraising activities, including cake sales and sweet cone sales.

I have wanted to give something back to society for a while and after paragliding off a mountain in Turkey last year, I decided I would like to do the Skydive in aid of this Charity.

I have had the privilege of a guided tour around the Hospice in Kent and it is truly a wonderful place where they have fantastic facilities and do great things for the children and their families.

My aim is to raise £1000 but anything would be greatly appreciated. You can help me meet my target going to my Just Giving page at :- www.justgiving.com/megan-baker1 - I really would be grateful for your donation, however small.

Thanks Megan



Wednesday evening is walking evening!

Christopher Wood

The Iwade walking group on a Wednesday evening was set up for people in the village to get fit and have fun whilst offering the opportunity to make new friends. The best part is that it costs nothing at all and you don't have to sign up!

We meet every week outside The Woolpack for 7pm and start at 7:15pm. The walks vary between 4-6 miles each week. We have our own facebook page which is Iwade Walking Group Evenings.

We'd love to see YOU!

The Woolpack now has its menus available to view online on their website at woolpackiwade.co.uk. It all looks very delicious!

From Iwade to → → → → BUCKINGHAM PALACE! Glenn Walters

The WI are celebrating 100 years of existence this year. Amongst a myriad of celebrations all over the UK, the Queen granted a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace, and I was there!

The queues snaked around the outside of the palace from all three gates and the sight was so unusual with all these ladies in their finery and hats, that tourists were taking pictures of the queues.

A massive 8,000 WI members attended, representing all WIs, gathering on the lawns to be entertained by two military bands. In attendance were their Royal Highnesses – Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall, Princess Alexandra and Sophie, Countess of Wessex. Meeting two out of three for me was an absolute bonus!

The Tea Tent was a sight to behold. Very long and just covering the servings. Tea was taken on the lawn so it was a blessing there was no rain, just very windy. The choice was quite extensive from wraps to finger sandwiches and every cake variety you could wish for. All very small, but the quality was exemplary. You were given a small oblong plate with an indent to hold a cup and choose any of what was on offer! A lady from Herefordshire told me the secret was “stacking”. Ice cream tubs were handed out afterwards.

After a tour around the gardens a corridor was formed for the Royals to make their exit. The Beefeaters lined the route, and a friendly lot they were!

It was nearly time. The bands played a few more tunes and then the National Anthem and it was time for home. The tourists were in photo heaven at the exodus of all these women. Afterwards I recalled speaking with ladies from about thirteen different Counties.

A “once in a lifetime” experience which I thoroughly enjoyed thanks to the WI.



Thursday 2 July 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library
At the Springvale end of Sheerstone, one piece of identification required to join. Why not give it a try?

Sunday 5 July 10:45 | 'Celebration' Service
See front page for more info

Wednesday 8 July 19:30
Iwade Parish Council Meeting
At Iwade Village Hall allowing time for visitors' questions in the agenda.
Why not go along and find out more about what goes on, it is a public meeting.

Sunday 12 July 10:00-13:00 | Iwade Village Market
It runs on the 2nd Sunday of every month in Iwade Village Hall. You can get some fantastic free range meat plus all of your veg, we have a couple of stalls selling homemade cakes and desserts that will satisfy even the sweetest tooth! We have locally produced honey on offer every month.

Along with the food stalls, we have plenty of other stalls to catch your eye too – ladies fashion scarves, bedding plants, handbags, beautiful greetings cards, books, handmade craft items, jewellery and a charity stall or two. If it's brunch you're after, we've normally got bacon, sausage and fried egg butties cooking, plus tea, coffee and squash to wash it down with.
If you're interested in booking a stall at a future market, please email Al at chairman@iwadevillagehall.org.uk or by mobile on 07710 454124. Please support your local market and come down to visit.

Wednesday 15 July 19:30 | Iwade W.I. July Meeting
Little Potters outing including Tea at £5 per person.

Thursday 16 July 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library

Saturday 18 July 19:00
UK Paper Open Air Band Concert
See front page for full info

Thursday 30 July 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library

Sunday 9 August 10:00 | Iwade Village Market

Wednesday 12 August 19:30
Iwade Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 13 August 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library

Saturday 15 August 10:00 | Pop Up Art Exhibition
See article for more info

Wednesday 19 August 19:30
Iwade W.I. August Meeting
Members Evening with Competition to be arranged and Summer Fruits raffle. Competition winner for Group Meeting to be chosen this month. Raffle: Summer Fruits.

Thursday 27 August 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library

Pop - Up Art Exhibition

A 'shout-out' for local artists! Once again the church is hosting a 'pop-up' art exhibition, on Saturday August 15th from 10:00. Bring along anything that you'd like to exhibit in the quiet peaceful surrounds of our village church.



No fees - 'just for the craic' and possibly the odd sale or two! Last year saw some very talented artists from Iwade and further afield show off their work in a relaxed location at an event that was hugely enjoyed by all that came and had a look.

The exhibition is off course open to all, and again there

is no charge - just the opportunity to pick up a very reasonably priced original piece of art. Teas and refreshments will be available during the day - why not take a breather from the toils of the weekend and come and have a browse with a cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake?



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IWADE PARISH COUNCILLORS

(As at May 2015)

James Hunt – Chair
 Matt Gale – Vice-Chair
 Phil Hyde
 Les Mitchell
 Stephen Plumb
 Dawn Gale
 Dave Wastall
 John White
 Roger Clark
 Simon Cheeseman
 Claire Jakins

*Welcome to the new Iwade Parish Councillors, residents appreciate your support and the time you give up to support Iwade Parish.
 Ed*

Members sit on the following Committees/organisations:

Committee/Organisation	Member(s)
Planning	Cllrs. Gale, Cheeseman, Mitchell, Plumb, Clark and the Clerk
Finance	Cllrs. White, Gale, Mitchell, Hunt, Cheeseman and the Clerk
Village Hall	Cllr. Gale
Recreation, Arts and Cultural	Cllrs. Jakins, Wastall, Hyde, Hunt, Mitchell, Dawn Gale and resident Pamela Horner
K.A.L.C.	Cllrs. Wastall and Clark

Minutes of the Annual Iwade Parish Council Meeting Held on Wednesday 13th May, 2015

Present: Cllr. J. Hunt - Chair Cllr. M. Gale – Vice-Chair Cllr. L. Mitchell Cllr. J. White Cllr. S. Plumb Cllr. C. Jakins Cllr. R. Clark Cllr. S. Cheeseman Cllr. D. Gale Lynda Fisher, Clerk 4 Parishioners	Office. 3. Election of the Vice-Chairman and upon election signing of Acceptance of Office Matt Gale was elected as Vice-chair and duly signed the Acceptance of Office. 4. Election of Members of Committees and Other Bodies	Committee – Cllrs. Jakins, Wastall, Hyde, Hunt, Mitchell, Dawn Gale and resident Pamela Horner was invited and accepted to sit on the Committee.. Kent Association of Local Councils: Cllrs. Wastall and Clark 5. Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 9th May, 2014
1. Co-option of Parish Councillors and Acceptance of Office Simon Cheeseman and Claire Jakins and Les Mitchell were co-opted onto the Parish Council and duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.	Membership of Parish Council Committees and other bodies was agreed as follows: Planning Committee - Cllrs. Gale, Cheeseman, Mitchell, Plumb, Clark and the Clerk Finance Committee - Cllrs. White, Gale, Mitchell, Hunt, Cheeseman and the Clerk Village Hall - Cllr. Gale	The Minutes were agreed at the monthly meeting held on the 11th June 2014. Members agreed to meet on the second Wednesday of each month, with meetings commencing at 7.30 p.m., in Iwade Village Hall.
2. Election of Chair, and upon election signing of Acceptance of Office James Hunt was elected as Chair and duly signed the Acceptance of	Recreation, Arts and Cultural	Clerk to arrange quarterly Finance Meetings and advise the relevant Members.

Introducing Cllr. Duncan Dewar-Whalley



We now have 2 district councillors representing Bobbing, Iwade and Lower Halstow Ward. Ben Stokes is already well known to Iwadians, but we thought you might like to know a bit about his new ward colleague, Duncan Dewar-Whalley.

Born in Harrow, Duncan has also lived

in Blackburn, Kew, and Rainham.

In 1972 he moved to Sittingbourne and has lived in Bobbing since. He has spent over 40 years working within the fire safety industry and advising on precautions to take in respect of terrorist activity. Past Chair of Governors (over 12 years) at St Peters Primary School.

A Bobbing Parish Councillor for over 14 years, Duncan has represented the Swale area parish councils as an executive on the Kent Area Parish Council and for eight years he has been a Swale Borough councillor and is the Cabinet Member for Finance a post that he has held for the past 5 years.

Happily married to Mavis they have dogs, a cat and tend to feed the wildlife. Other interests include classical music, reading, theatre and he is Vice-President of The Sittingbourne Orpheus Society.

Duncan is very interested in local issues and has a strong desire that Sittingbourne and the Bobbing, Iwade and Lower Halstow Ward areas should be a safe and very pleasant place to live in.

Among Duncan's wishes are:-

- To support initiatives to reduce anti-social behaviour.
- Continue the provision of better doorstep recycling facilities.
- Seek to have extra litter and dog bins where needed and work to prevent fly tipping.
- Seek to protect our green spaces and our local environment.
- Seek to limit the growth of housing in the area.

Duncan is looking forward to working with Cllr Ben Stokes to do their utmost to help and improve environment in which we live.

"It is just not possible to please everyone or to succeed with every project but one thing is for certain we shall do our best." - Cllr Duncan Dewar-Whalley.

WI update from Mary Foreman

In June we celebrated the Centenary of the W.I. Two of our ladies attended a garden party at Buckingham Palace, one of these was fortunate enough to talk to the Duchess of Cornwall. (Ed. - See separate report from Glenn Walters) Our President was one of many who attended the AGM at the Albert Hall, which was opened by Her Majesty the Queen. Whilst others who were unable to go watched via a video link at the Blue Town Heritage Centre. They also provided a lovely lunch of sandwiches and cake.

We are looking forward to our July meeting, which is a visit to Little Potters where we hope to get creative! Also an Afternoon Tea of strawberries and cream will be held in one of our members gardens, when we hope the weather will be kind.

If you are interested in joining us please ring Glenn Walters on 01795 436515.

Driver Required

Description:

Busy Iwade-owned event catering company based in Faversham requires a hard-working and reliable driver for making deliveries and collections throughout Kent.

Job Purpose:

Deliver and collect items by preparing, loading and unloading van.

Duties:

- Loads van by placing and securing items.
- Delivers items by identifying destinations; establishing route; operating the van; unloading items; maintaining schedule.
- Maintains safe operation and clean appearance by complying with organisation, operational policies, procedures, and standards, as well as driving rules and regulations; cleans van exterior and interior.
- Updates job knowledge by participating in training opportunities.
- Enhances organisations reputation by accepting ownership for accomplishing new and different requests; exploring opportunities to add value to job accomplishments.

Skills/Qualifications:

Scheduling, Travel Logistics, Verbal Communication, Customer Focus, Deadline-Oriented, Acute Vision, Lifting, Dependable
 Must be flexible with hours of work as some early mornings and late nights required.
 Clean license essential, team spirited and conscientious.

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING

Held on Wednesday 13th May, 2015

closely with them. Further development has taken place at Ridham and there is the expansion to the School; we have been trying to ensure that these don't impact on residents too much.

The Parish Council has taken on paying for an extra monthly cut, after services were reduced by Swale Borough Council; we are paying £45 for this. Twinning is progressing, but it has taken a year to get to this point of almost having it in place!

20 m.p.h. Speed Limit – County Cllr. Roger Truelove had a speed survey carried out but it was found that due to the cost of necessary infrastructure we have put this project on hold.

Vodafone Rural Sure Signal – Much progress has been made with this. Iwade has been chosen by Vodafone as one of the villages in the country for the flagship 'Sure Signal'. They visited on the 8th May to do a tour of the village and the houses/buildings that have been put forward as sites for the equipment.

Orchard and Woodpecker Park – Had quite a few events, especially in the Orchard with the planning of the trees and we are hoping to get more people in the village involved. We are nearer to having the bridge build to span the stream in Woodpecker Park; plans have been drawn up, money agreed and consultations carried out. Disable play equipment is also being looked at for the park.

Electric Shocks – We spent quite a lot of time on the electric shocks on the Sheppey Way. We didn't make much progress until we managed to

get U.K. Power Network out on site and they did a proper survey!

Community Warden – Nick has been a great asset to the village and keeps a close eye on things. One of the biggest problems is vandalism to the bus shelter at Woodpecker Park. The Parish Council took the decision to remove the glass because every time it was replaced it was vandalised. We are hoping to look at this problem again this year.

Street Lights – This project is making good progress and we are ahead of schedule. Over last two years 12 out of the 26 lamp columns have been replaced and our County Councillors have kindly agreed to fund four columns for 2015, with the Parish Council paying for a further two.

Councillors not Standing for Re-Election – Four Councillors will be co-opted onto the Parish Council at the Annual Meeting, making a total of eleven; a much bigger body. Sadly we have to say goodbye to Councillors Lou Preston and Rachel Rook and would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all their hard work and commitment over the last year.

3. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM PARISHIONERS

None.

4. ANY OTHER MATTERS ARISING

None.

Meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

For the Iwade Parish Council Meetings minutes in full please go to the Iwadevillage.co.uk Council page.

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Held on Wednesday 13th May, 2015

Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Borough Cllr. Ben Stokes and Kelly Upson, from Swale Borough Council, who was going to give a talk on refuse collection; she is hoping to attend the June meeting.

Community Warden (Nick Mayatt)/PCSO - Nick has dealt with graffiti; fly-tipping incidents, vandalism of the Woodpecker bus shelter, youth nuisance, etc.

Planning

15/502753/FULL - Erection of an additional building, referred to as Terminal 3, for the storage and distribution of imported cement – Brett Ridham Docks, Kemsley Fields Business Park, Ridham Dock Road Iwade Kent – No objections.

15/502742/FULL - Erection and use of 3 cement storage silos for the storage and distribution of imported cement - Brett Ridham Docks, Kemsley Fields Business Park, Ridham Dock Road Iwade – No objections.

15/502570/FULL - Change of use of land to a single gypsy pitch and associated development -Land Far East Of Plantation Lodge School Lane Iwade ME9 8QH – Cllrs. Hunt and Clark did not vote nor take part in this discussion, remaining Members objected on the following grounds:

-Unacceptable high density and over-development of the area.

-Effect on the character of the surrounding area.

-Scale dominating the nearest settled community.

-No backing of the Gypsy Council or reference from them.

Iwade Parish Council has supported the Traveller community wholeheartedly over the years but we now feel that this is now an over-development of sites in one area. We already have 11 pitches from the Junction of Basser Hill to the corner of School Lane, Near Culnells Farm and further pitches at Raspberry

Hill and near Orchard Farm. The Parish Council feels it has more than contributed to the need for sites in Swale. Relating to School Lane, in the Parish Council's letter to Swale Borough Planners dated 5th August 2011 we wrote: "the Parish Council does wish to place on record its deep concern that with a second application following this one (SW/11/0917), it will not open the floodgate to similar development and that the area of high landscape value and the strategic gap will be protected and not eaten away. We requested written confirmation of this from the Borough Council." Written confirmation was never received.

15/502681/OUT - Outline application for residential development (approx 55 dwellings) with associated access & parking, creation of footpath link to the Saxon Shore Way and formation of a reptile and invertebrate reserve - Funton Brickworks Sheerness Road Lower Halstow ME9 7EG – Members had no objections to this application.

KCC/SW/0118/2015 – A 2 year temporary application to cover the placement of 2 single story port cabins, installation of 2 bunded fuel tanks and the regularisation of a 2 story port cabin. These are to be located within the lorry park adjacent to the MRF building and provide support to the existing waste operations on site – Countrystyle Recycling Ltd., Ridham Dock Road, Iwade, ME9 8SR – Council to query why a two year temporary application and what happens at the end of the two years?

Correspondence

Notice of Submission of Bearing Fruits 2031: The Swale Borough Council Local Plan – Part 1 to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government – Noted.

4. Pilot Local Warden Support Officer Scheme – Members agreed to respond that the principle is good but more information is needed. If the Parish Council is to pay out £400 what

guarantee is there that the volunteer doesn't disappear; the Parish Council needs an idea of future costs as this will be coming out of public funds.

Finance

Annual Village Clean Up – Agreed areas to be cleaned; Road signs to be washed, reinstall missing posts; creosote new planters, wooden bollards and fencing. Clerk to draw up the necessary forms (including Health and safety instructions). Handyman to assist.

Village Garden Competition – Proposed by Cllr. Hunt and seconded by Cllr. Clark; agreed the sum of £80 for shields. Suggested the new Recreation, Arts and Cultural Committee look to organising this and resident Amanda Hurrell has asked to be involved.

Parish Lighting Columns Quotes – County Cllrs. Truelove and Burgess have agreed to put £4000 each towards the cost of 4 new columns, which will then leave 10 columns to be replaced. Parish Council to investigate the cost of having these 10 columns replaced in one go.

Salt Bin – agreed to purchase the Glasdon Orbistor Grit Salt Bin at a cost of £341.84p, excluding V.A.T; before purchasing Cllr. Gale to obtain Village Hall Committee's approval for siting it on their land.

Iwade Localism Project (Swale Borough Council)

The Barn – Still chasing Swale Borough Council/Ward Homes to sort out the electricity. The Trustees need to meet to discuss the Solicitor's recommendations and then proceed with Swale Borough Council.

Any Other Matters Arising

Cllr. Gale reported that Vodafone went around the village yesterday; everything is fine to go ahead and the representative will do a report which will go to the company for a decision.

Present:

Cllr. J. Hunt

Cllr. R. Clark

Cllr. S. Plumb

Cllr. D. Gale

Cllr. J. White

Clerk, Lynda Fisher

Cllr. M. Gale

4 Parishioners

This is a Parish Meeting called as required by the local Government Act, 1972. The meeting is an opportunity for the residents of the village who are registered electors to raise and discuss any subject affecting the village. Discussion and voting on any subject is restricted to electors, residents who are not registered as electors are welcome as observers. Residents wishing to speak are requested to give their name and the name of their road or street.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Cllr. Hunt welcomed everyone to the meeting; apologies were received from Cllrs. Wastall and Hyde, who will attend later, from Nick Mayatt, the Community Warden and Borough Cllr. Ben Stokes.

2. REPORT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR ON THE PREVIOUS YEAR

Cllr. James Hunt commented that over the last year the Parish Council has had good relationships with Persimmon, at the moment a lot of the issues seem to have been sorted out, although the issue with grass verges is still outstanding. Relationships with Ward Homes seem to have improved and the Parish Council has been working